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SUBJECT: IP-266

The information submitted below is for use in connection with a Project Initiation Memorandum for the above numbered IP.

Problem

To estimate the maximum tonnage of logistic support that could be given Chinese Communist forces over the Trans-Siberian railroad without seriously reducing essential industrial and military shipments to the Soviet Far East.

Scope

The project will attempt to estimate the minimum essential tonnage which must move eastward daily over the Trans-Siberian railroad from points west of Baikal in support of: (1) the civilian economy and (2) the Soviet military forces in the Far East. To these estimates will be added the transportation requirements for normal railroad repair and maintenance. The sum total of these three factors in relation to the estimated capacity of the Trans-Siberian railroad should indicate the surplus tonnage available for the logistic support of Chinese Communist forces.

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